

Good Bible Translations Include

- The New American Standard Bible
- The New King James Version
- The King James Version (& the Amplified Bible)
- The English Standard Version
- The Christian Standard Bible
- The New International Version
- The New Living Translation

Good Bible Apps & Websites

- BibleGateway.com (great for comparing all translations of a specific verse)
- BlueLetterBible.org (free phone app; free Strong's)
- OliveTree.com (free app with multiple free Bible versions)
- Bible.com (YouVersion app—many translations and audio Bibles)
- BibleHub.com (good study tools)

Genesis 1:1-23

Lesson 1

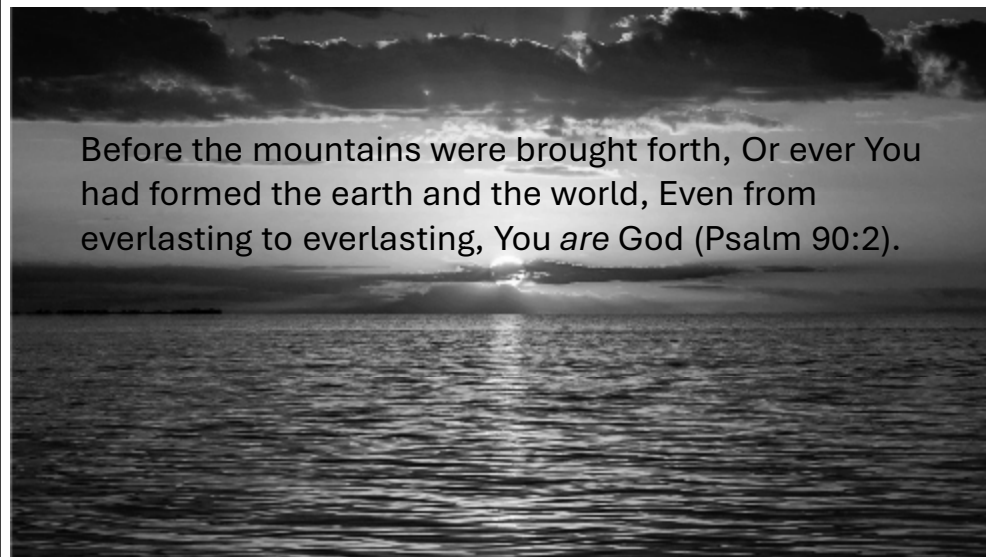
Isaiah 46:9-10

- Remember what happened long ago, for I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and no one is like me.
- I declare the end from the beginning, and from long ago what is not yet done, saying: my plan will take place, and I will do all my will.



Hebrews 11:3

By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible (NKJV).



Before the mountains were brought forth, Or ever You had formed the earth and the world, Even from everlasting to everlasting, You *are* God (Psalm 90:2).

Jesus, the Creator & Sustainer of All

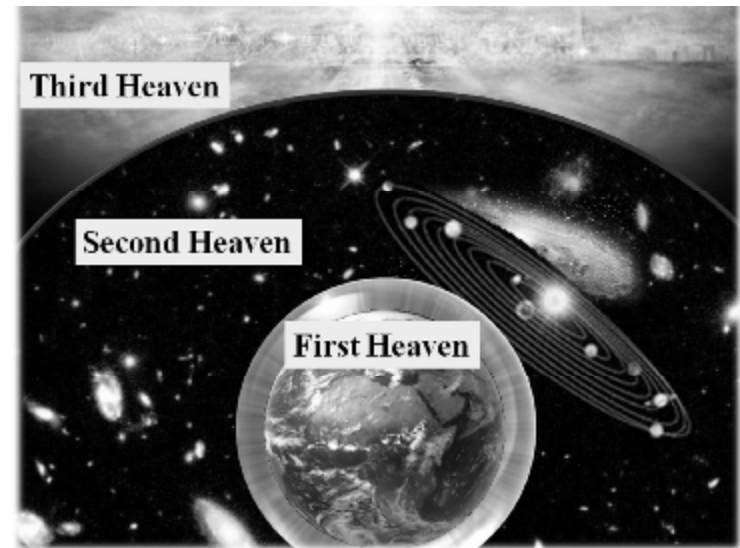
- For by Him all things were created, both in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things have been created through Him and for Him. He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together (Colossians 1:16-17).

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- [God] in these last days has spoken to us by His Son, whom He appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds. And He is the radiance of His glory and the exact representation of His nature, and upholds all things by the word of His power (Hebrews 1:2-3a).

The Heavens (Genesis 1:1)

1. The atmosphere—weather & birds (Genesis 1:20; Deuteronomy 11:11; Psalm 18:13)
2. Outer space—sun, moon, stars (Genesis 1:16-17; Exodus 32:13)
3. Home of God and heavenly beings (Psalm 11:4; 1 Kings 8:27; Matthew 6:9; Nehemiah 9:6; 2 Corinthians 12:2)



From Formless & Empty (1:2) To Form & Fullness

Form		Fullness	
Day 1	Day & Night	Day 4	Lights of Day & Night
Day 2	Sky & Waters	Day 5	Creatures of Air & Water
Day 3	Fertile Earth with Plants	Day 6	Creatures of the Land

“The Preface” by Edward Taylor

Infinity [God], when all things it beheld
In Nothing, and of Nothing all did build,
Upon what Base was fixt the Lath[e] wherein
He turn’d this Globe, and riggalld it so trim?

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“The Preface” by Edward Taylor

Who? who did this? or who is he? Why, know
It's Onely Might Almighty this did doe [do].
His hand hath made this noble worke which Stands
His Glorious Handywork not made by hands.
Who spake all things from nothing; and with ease
Can speake all things to nothing, if he please.

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“The Preface” by Edward Taylor

Which All from Nothing fet [fetched], from Nothing, All:
Hath All on Nothing set, lets Nothing fall.



God: The Source of Light in the Beginning & the End

- Isaiah 60:19 tells us that in the future when Jesus rules on the earth, “No longer will you have the sun for light by day, Nor for brightness will the moon give you light; But you will have the LORD for an everlasting light, And your God for your glory.”

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- Revelation 22:5 says, “And there will no longer be any night; and they will not have need of the light of a lamp nor the light of the sun, because the Lord God will illumine them; and they will reign forever and ever.”

What is a “day”? (Hebrew, *yom*)

1. A specific 24-hour day (Gen 8:14—“on the 27th DAY of the month”)
2. A 12-hour period of daylight (Gen 1:14—“to separate the DAY from the night”)
3. A longer, indeterminate period (Gen 2:4—“In the DAY [time] that the Lord made heaven & earth”)

The Days of Genesis 1 as 24-Hour Days

1. God defines *day* (Hebrew, *yom*) for us: evening + morning = day (cf. Dan. 8:14)
2. Genesis uses time words with usual meanings: day (1:8), year (1:14), season (1:14).
3. “Outside of Genesis 1, *yom* is used with a number 359 times, and each time it means an ordinary day” (Ken Ham 93).

The Days of Genesis 1 as 24-Hour Days

4. “For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and made it holy” (Exodus 20:11).
5. Plants were created on Day 3. The sun was created on Day 4. If Day 3 were thousands of years long, all the plants would have died.

The Days of Genesis 1 as 24-Hour Days

6. Adam lived 930 years (Genesis 5:5), so we know the 6th day of creation could not have been thousands of years long.
7. As we see in Gen. 1:11-12, 20-21, God created plants, birds, and water creatures mature and able to reproduce. They didn’t require years of evolution to develop.



Genesis 1:21

So God created the large sea-creatures and every living creature that moves and swarms in the water, according to their kinds. He also created every winged creature according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.